TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

FISCAL NOTE



HJR 658

January 29, 2020

SUMMARY OF BILL: Creates a special joint committee of 21 members to study long-term transportation infrastructure needs and funding. Specifies the representation of the committee and that all members shall serve without compensation. Requires the committee to report its findings and recommendations by February 15, 2021, at which time the committee will cease to exist.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$10,600/FY20-21

Assumptions:

- The Department of Transportation and other appropriate state agencies can provide assistance to the committee utilizing existing staff and resources.
- The task force will consist of 10 legislative members and 11 non-legislative members and is estimated to meet 3 times between passage of this legislation and the February 15, 2021 cessation date.
- Under the provisions of this legislation, committee members will serve without compensation.
- However, it is assumed that legislative members of the task force are to be reimbursed as
 members of the General Assembly and paid for attending legislative meetings; other
 members shall not receive compensation while participating in the business of the
 committee, but will be reimbursed for any travel expenses incurred for attending
 meetings.
- It is expected the General Assembly will be in session at the time of one committee meeting. The committee will meet twice outside of session prior to February 15, 2021.
- Legislative members will receive a per diem of \$240 per day for each committee meeting outside of session.
- All members will receive \$0.47 per mile roundtrip; the average miles travelled per member is estimated to be 234 miles roundtrip.
- The average mileage reimbursement per member for each meeting is estimated to be \$110 (\$0.47 per mile x 234 miles).
- The total cost per legislative member for each meeting is estimated to be \$350 (\$240 per diem + \$110 mileage).

- The one-time increase in state expenditures is estimated to be \$7,000 for legislative members (10 members x \$350 cost x 2 meetings) and \$3,630 for non-legislative members (11 members x \$110 cost x 3 meetings).
- The total one-time increase in state expenditures in FY20-21 as a result of this legislation is estimated to be \$10,630 (\$7,000 + \$3,630).
- Any increase in state expenditures to compile and submit a report of their findings and recommendations by February 15, 2021 will not be significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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